

REMARKS

In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration is requested.

Claims 6-19, 21, and 22 were allowed, and claims 4, 5 and 20 were rejected based on prior art. By this amendment, claims 4, 5 and 20 have been canceled without acquiescence to the rejections and without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter therein.

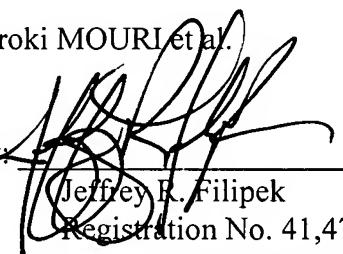
Since all of the pending claims, i.e., claims 6-19, 21 and 22 have been allowed, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone to resolve any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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